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Kate, a followup question from GAO.

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Good Afternoon:

GAO has some follow up questions on our comments provided on Monday for first fracking engagement.

Question 1 is OW
Question 2 is Region 3 and Region 8
Question 3 is OGC and OAR
Question 4 looks like it needs a ruling, can OGC confirm

GAO has not provided a due date but has asked us to response as quickly as possible, thank you for your assistance on this and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mark or I

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Hi Bob and Mark,

We have four follow-up questions regarding the comments EPA shared with us on Monday. Would it be possible to get responses to these quickly? We've tried to be specific about which office(s) should receive each question.

Thanks for your help,

Janice

1. OW/OWM – Re: Comments on Table 4 – We found evidence that there was a pilot study in which Fort Worth, TX accepted hydraulic fracturing wastewater and press accounts that they are no longer doing so. Do you have any documentation about whether POTWs in TX are still accepting hydraulic fracturing wastewater? If so, please share any documents you have.
2. Region 3 and Region 8 – Re: ORD comment on draft report p. 33 – Is EPA currently conducting investigative activities using CERCLA authority related to Dimock, PA or Pavillion, WY?
3. OGC/OAR – Re: draft report p. 123 Title V permits. We asked all regions and HQ officials we spoke with about this issue and nobody could come up with an example of a well site with a Title V permit. Please provide more information about the examples of well sites with Title V permits you are citing in your comments.
4. In several places (for example, regarding comments from OECA, ORD, and OGC on draft p. 17) there were conflicting edits around the use of "primacy." Does EPA use primacy to refer specifically and only to enforcement authority, as compared to other activities (such as issuing permits) that authorized states may conduct? It looked like OGC was ok with current text, which refers to primacy as enforcement authority, although the sentences continue on to mention these other activities.